



## Eastern Arizona Type II Incident Management Team

### 103 Fire

May 29, 2006 7:00 a.m.

Acres: 2,000 Start: May 27 Cause: Human, Under investigation  
Personnel: 434 Fire Crews: 10 {7 Type 1, 3 Type 2} Helicopters: 6

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Sunday's turbulent winds eased about 8 p.m. last night giving firefighters working on the 103 Fire a helping hand. The fire, burning in steep, rocky terrain, is located 8 miles south of Sierra Vista on Coronado National Forest lands in the Huachuca Mountains. Daytime winds drove the fire in a mainly northeast direction on Sunday, pushing it up to the ridge west of Ash Canyon. During the late afternoon fire topped the ridge and began creeping down into Ash Canyon.

Pre-evacuation alerts remain in effect for homeowners on the northeast side of the Coronado National Memorial and residents of Ash Canyon. National Park Service employees who reside in quarters at the Memorial headquarters were evacuated as a precautionary measure.

The 61 Road from the entrance to the Coronado National Memorial to the junction with Forest Service Road 48 is closed to through traffic. Those traveling on State Route 92 should exercise caution and maintain an appropriate speed in anticipation of fire traffic.

Parker Canyon Lake is closed to fishing while helicopters use the lake as a dipsite.

Today firefighters will continue to construct direct handline on the northwest and eastern flanks of the fire. Air operations will be focused on the main ridge at the head of Ash Canyon in areas too steep for hand crews. Mop-up will continue in the southern portion of the fire area.

For more information on fire restrictions throughout the southwest, please visit <http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc>.

For more information or updates throughout the day, please call **(520) 366-5508** and direct your call toward the Public Information Officers. Or visit with Public Information Officers at the Fire Information station adjacent to the helicopter base on State Route 92 in Hereford, AZ. The station will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily throughout the incident.

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